

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
STATE REVIEW SHEET
Historic Preservation Certification Application--Part 1

Property: 8490 MAIN STREET, ELLICOTT CITY, MARYLAND

Historic District: ELLICOTT CITY

12-19-86 date initial application received by State

1-2-87 date additional information

1-21-87 date complete information received by State

requested by State

date of this transmittal to NPS

inspection of property by State staff? ☒ no ☐ yes date: _____

☒ There is adequate documentation enclosed to evaluate the historic character and integrity of this property.

☐ There is insufficient documentation to evaluate the property adequately. The application is missing the following items: _____

Reasonable efforts, described below, have been made to obtain this information. Copies of the information requests are enclosed.

This property involves:

☐ Extensive loss of historic fabric

☐ Substantial alterations over time

☒ Reexamination of determination of listing

☒ for district

☐ for individual property

☐ Obscured or covered elevation(s)

☐ Moved property

☐ State recommendation inconsistent with NR documentation

☐ Recommendation different than the applicant's request

Complete one section below as appropriate.

(1) ☒ The property ☒ contributes ☐ does not contribute to the historic significance of this district in:

☒ location ☒ design ☒ setting ☒ materials ☒ workmanship ☒ feeling and association

Property is mentioned in the NR documentation in Section _____, page _____.

(2) ☐ For properties less than 50 years old:

☐ the historical merits of the district (the periods and areas of significance) are documented in the National Register nomination form or district documentation on file as less than 50 years old, justifying the certification of this property's contribution.

☐ the strong historical or architectural merit of this property as described in the National Register nomination form or district documentation on file justifies its certification as contributing.

☐ there is insufficient justification to consider this property contributing to the district on the basis of its individual architectural or historical merits or the significance of the district does not extend up to and including the latest 50 year period.

Briefly explain how Standard (3) applies to this property's individual merits or its significance in relationship to the significant qualities and characteristics of the district.

(3) For preliminary determinations:

A. The status of the nomination for the property/historic district:

☐ Nomination has already been submitted to State review board, and if reviewed by the board, nomination will be forwarded to the NPS within a reasonable period of time. (Draft nomination is enclosed.)

☐ Nomination was submitted to the NPS on _____.

☐ Nomination will be submitted to the State review board within twelve months.

☐ Nomination process likely will be completed within thirty months.

☐ Other; explain: _____

B. Evaluation of the property:

☐ Property ☐ is individually eligible and meets National Register Criteria for Evaluation

☐ Property is located within a potential registered district that meets National Register Criteria for Evaluation

☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Exceptions:

(4) The property is located in a registered district, is outside the period(s) and/or area(s) of significance as documented in the NR nomination and:

☐ appears to contribute to the expanded significance of the district. Enclosed is the revised nomination documentation.

☐ does not appear to contribute to the period(s) and/or area(s) of significance of the district.

Complete sections below for all properties:

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Description of district including the period(s) and area(s) of significance as described in the National Register documentation or documentation on file (except for preliminary determination of individual listing). ELLICOTT CITY IS AN EXTREMELY WELL PRESERVED 19TH CENTURY MILL TOWN WITH

STURDY ARCHITECTURE HAS REMAINED INTACT AND UNALTERED. THE DRAMATIC TOPOGRAPHY OF THE TOWN WHICH DROPS STEEPLY TO THE PATAPSCO RIVER SETS ELLICOTT CITY APART FROM ITS ENVIRONMENT. THE SLOPING STREETS AND THE PREDOMINANCE OF GRANITE MAKE IT REMINISCENT OF AN ENGLISH INDUSTRIAL TOWN. THE MAJORITY OF ITS ARCHITECTURE CONSISTS OF SOLIDLY BUILT STRUCTURES WHICH LACK THE DETAILS AND FORMS REQUIRED FOR EASY CLASSIFICATION INTO ARCHITECTURAL STYLES SUCH AS FEDERAL OR GREEK REVIVAL. ELLICOTT CITY'S ARCHITECTURAL FABRIC DERIVES FROM A BROAD VERNACULAR INTERPRETATION OF NATIONAL STYLES.

Period(s) of significance: 18TH, 19TH & 20TH Section 6, page 0.

Description of the property documenting current condition. THIS PROPERTY IS ONE ROWHOUSE CONTAINED WITHIN A BUILDING OF SIX - ALL OF WHICH WERE CONSTRUCTED C. 1920. THE EXTERIOR IS SHINGLE SIDED ON THE FRONT, GERMAN SIDING ON THE REAR, DOUBLE HUNG WINDOWS (2 OVER 2 ON THE FRONT AND 6 OVER 6 AT THE REAR) AND GABLED ROOF. THE FRONT PORCH IS ALSO ORIGINAL TO THE HOUSE. ALL EXTERIOR FEATURES ARE IN EXCELLENT CONDITION. ON THE INTERIOR AT THE GROUND LEVEL IS A LARGE ROOM THAT OPENS ONTO THE BACK YARD. THIS ROOM SERVES AS A KITCHEN, CONTAINS A BATH AND UTILITY ROOM. THE FIRST AND SECOND FLOORS CONTAIN 2 ROOM EACH AND ARE CONNECTED TO THE GROUND LEVEL BY A SINGLE STAIRWELL. FEW

Retains sufficient integrity: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Statement of significance of the property

AS ONE OF THE ONLY WOOD FRAME HOUSES CONSTRUCTED IN THIS AREA, THIS HOUSE REFLECTS THE WORKING CLASS ORIGINS OF ELLICOTT CITY. AS PART OF THIS COMMUNITY, THIS HOUSE DISPLAYS A MODEST

CHANGES HAVE TAKEN PLACE ON THE INTERIOR EXCEPT STIPPLED CEILINGS AND DRYWALL IN TWO ROOMS. FLOORS ARE ORIGINAL AS ARE TWO FIREPLACE MANTELS. SOME TRIM IS MISSING BUT MOST AREAS ARE IN GOOD CONDITION.

AMOUNT OF ORNAMENTATION AND A SIMPLICITY OF DESIGN IN KEEPING WITH THE MIDDLE CLASS AMERICAN STYLE OF THE 1920'S AND THE MODERATE INCOME OF THE OCCUPANTS.

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State Official Recommendation:

This application for the above-named property has been reviewed by MICHAEL DAY, a professionally qualified architect, architectural historian, or historian on my staff.

☒ The property is included within the boundaries of a registered historic district, contributes to the significance of the district, and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.

☐ The property is included within the boundaries of a registered historic district, contributes to the significance of the district, and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposed in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.

☐ The property does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.

☐ The property appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be nominated.

☐ The property does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will not be nominated.

☐ The property appears to contribute to the significance of a:

☐ potential historic district which appears to meet the National Register Criteria For Evaluation and will likely be nominated.

☐ registered historic district but is outside the period(s) and area(s) of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS. Revised nomination or district documentation is enclosed.

☐ The property should be denied a preliminary determination that it could qualify as a certified historic structure.

☐ Insufficient documentation has been provided to evaluate the structure.

☐ Detailed NPS review recommended ☐ Precedent setting case ☐ Forwarded without recommendation

Date: 2-20-87

State Official Signature: 

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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OMB Approved
No. 1024-0009
Expires 8/31/86

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION
PART 1 - EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

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Project Number: **MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST**

Instructions: Read the instructions carefully before completing application. No certification will be made unless a completed application form has been received. Use typewriter or print clearly in black ink. If additional space is needed, use continuation sheets or attach blank sheets.

1. Name of property: 8490 Main Street

Address of property: 8490 Main Street

City Ellicott City County Howard State MD Zip Code 21043

Name of historic district: Ellicott City Historic District

☒ National Register district ☐ certified state or local district ☐ potential historic district

2. Check nature of request:

- ☒ certification that the building contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for the purpose of rehabilitation.
☐ certification that the structure or building and, where appropriate, the land area on which such a structure or building is located contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes.
☐ certification that the building does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.
☐ preliminary determination for individual listing in the National Register.
☐ preliminary determination that a building located within a potential historic district contributes to the significance of the district.
☐ preliminary determination that a building outside the period or area of significance contributes to the significance of the district.

3. Authorized project contact:

Name Barbara N. Schulte Title President

Street PO Box 112 City Ellicott City

State MD Zip 21043 Telephone Number (during day): 461-4473

4. Owner:

Name Ellicott City Properties, Inc.

Street PO Box 112 City Ellicott City

State MD Zip 21043 Telephone Number (during day): 461-4473

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I own the above-named property.

Owner's Signature Barbara N. Schulte Date 12/16/86

Social Security Number or Taxpayer Identification Number [REDACTED]

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The National Park Service has reviewed the "Historic Preservation Certification Application - Part 1" for the above-named property and hereby determines that the property:

- ☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.
☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.
☐ does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.

Preliminary Determinations:

- ☐ appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer according to the procedures set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.
☐ does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely not be listed in the National Register.
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a potential historic district, which will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer.
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a registered historic district but is outside the period or area of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS.
☐ does not appear to qualify as a certified historic structure.

8490 Main Street
Property Name
8490 Main Street
Property Address
Ellicott City Properties, Inc.
Owner Name/Social Security or Taxpayer ID Number

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5. Description of physical appearance:

The property known as 8490 Main Street, Ellicott City is one rowhouse contained within a building of six -- all of which were constructed c. 1920. The exterior of this three story unit has remained little changed with shingled siding on the front, shiplap siding on the rear, double hung windows and gabled roof. Also original is the front porch which is topped by a standing seam metal roof. On the interior and below street level is a large room which opens onto a back yard at ground level. This room serves as a kitchen, contains a small bathroom and houses the unit's furnace and water heater. The main and second floors each have two separate rooms with the entire three stories connected by a single stairwell. Steps toward interior modification have been minimal. The kitchen and bath were clearly later additions (date unknown) with other renovations consisting of cosmetic work (new stippled ceilings, drywall in two rooms, paint, etc.) Floors are original as are two decorative fireplace mantels. There is no evidence of major structural changes.

Date of Construction: c. 1920 Source of Date: County tax records dating surrounding buildings

Date(s) of Alteration(s): unknown

Has building been moved? ☐ yes ☒ no. If so, when?

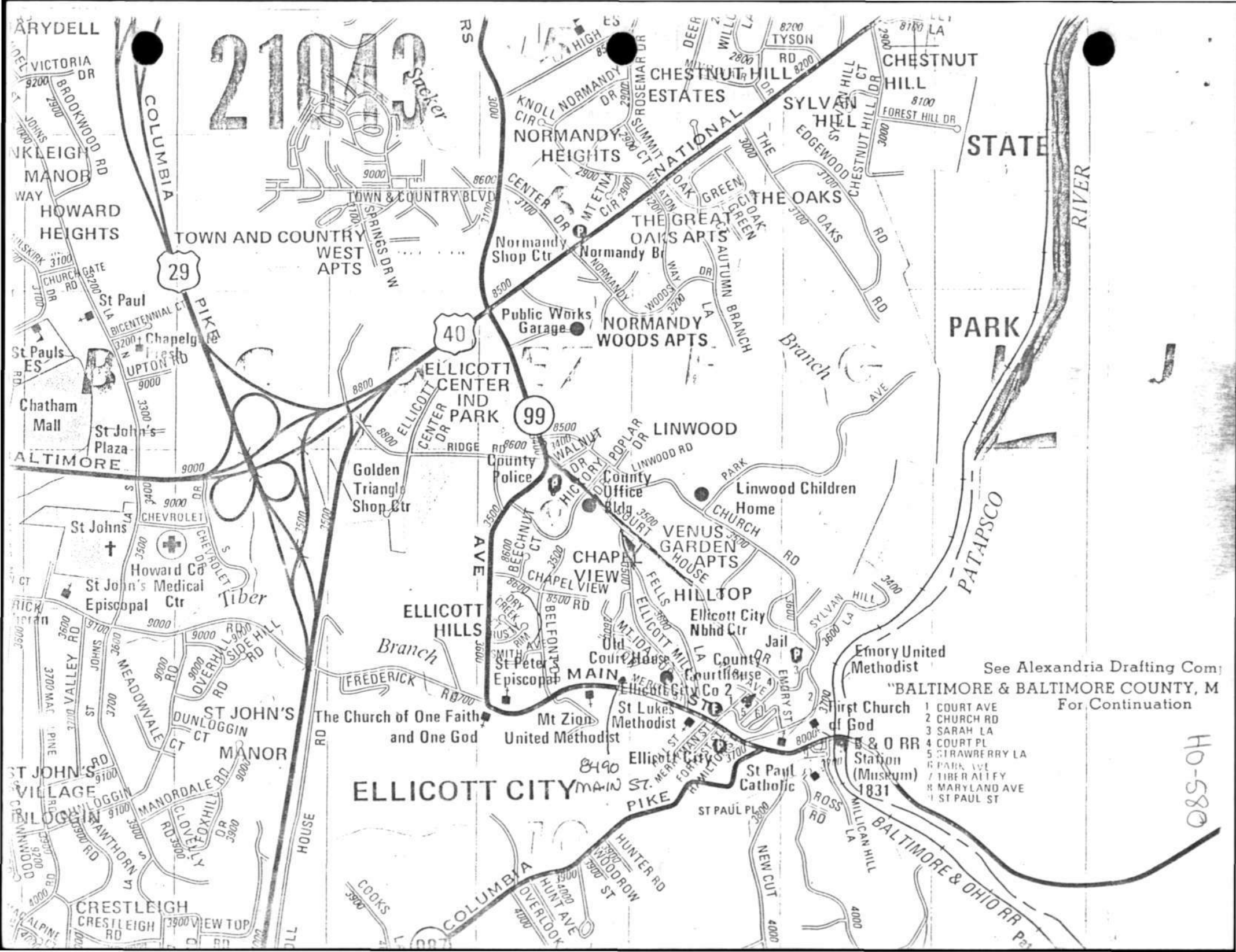
6. Statement of significance:

The historic district of Ellicott City contains a wide variety of architectural examples dating from the late 18th century to the present. Located within a portion of the district whose structures date from the 1920's is this building containing six rowhomes including the home identified as 8490 Main Street. As one of the wood frame houses constructed in this area, the rowhome reflects the working class origins of Ellicott City -- first settled in 1772 and home of the area's first grist mill. Its appearance is identical to the other five units in the building and similar to adjacent buildings with the use of shingled and shiplap siding, double hung windows and front porches. No doubt this section of Ellicott City once housed a thriving working class community as evidenced by the former existence of a well-known local grocery adjacent to the above building. As part of this community, this rowhome displays a modest amount of ornamentation and a simplicity of design in keeping with the middle class American style of the 1920's and the moderate income of the occupants.

7. Photographs and maps.

Attach photographs and maps to application.

Continuation sheets attached: ☐ yes ☒ no



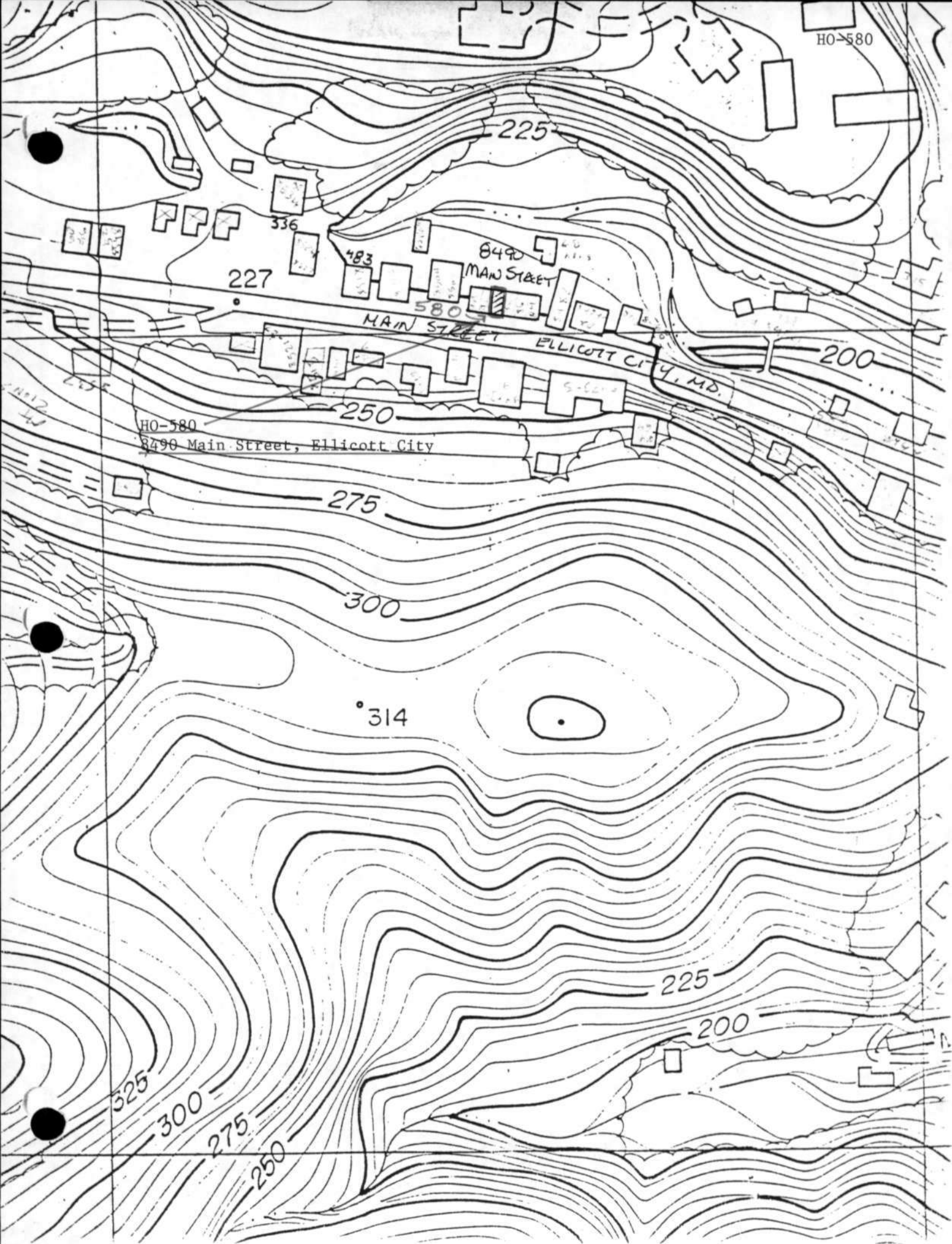
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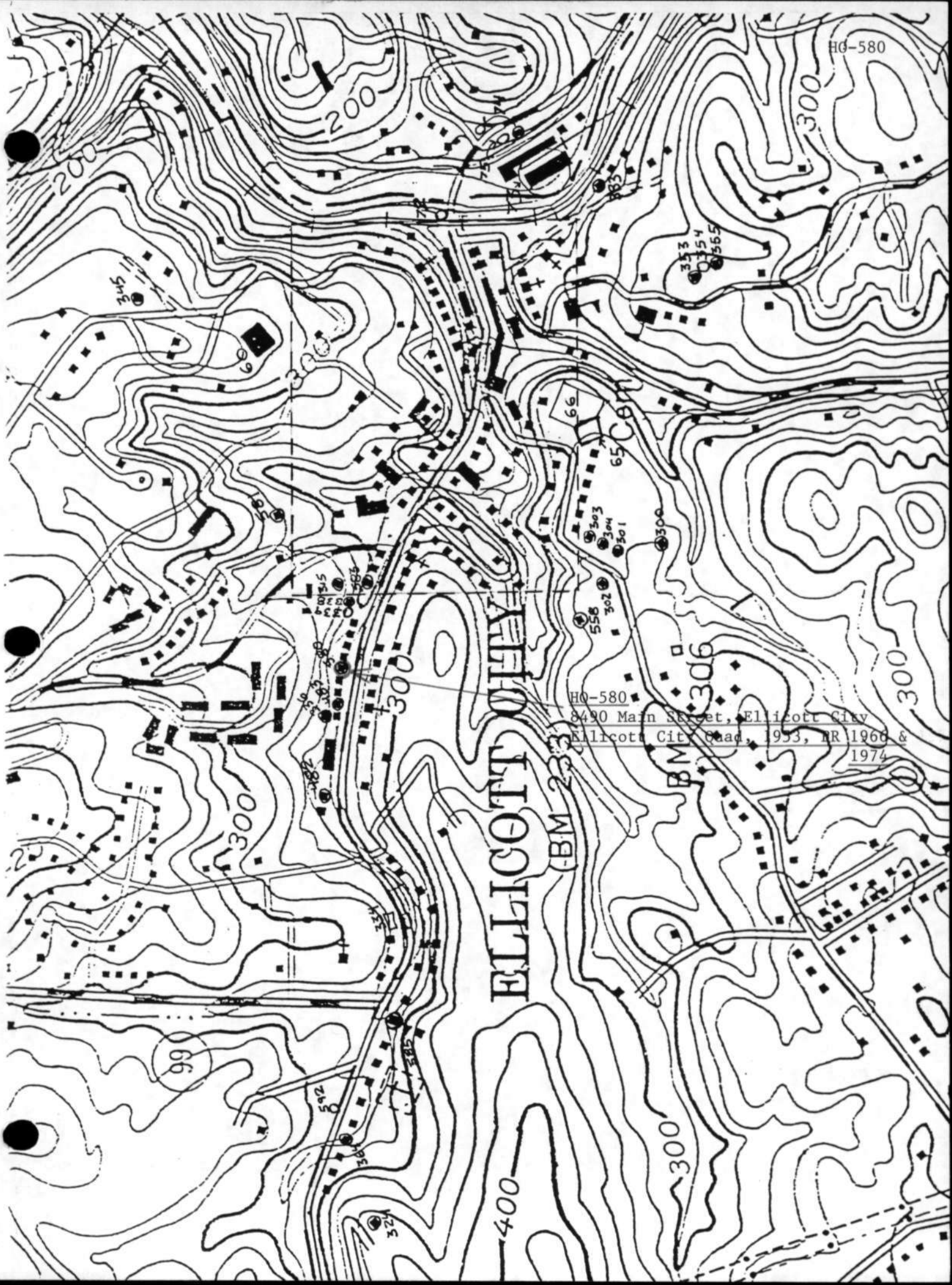
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For Continuation

- 1 COURT AVE
- 2 CHURCH RD
- 3 SARAH LA
- 4 COURT PL
- 5 STRAWBERRY LA
- 6 PARK AVE
- 7 TIBER AVE
- 8 MARYLAND AVE
- 9 ST PAUL ST

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8490 Main Street, Elliott City
Elliott City Quad, 1953, AR 1966 &
1974

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8490 MAIN STREET
ELLCOTT CITY, MD.
(FRONT)



8490 MAIN STREET
ELLCOTT CITY, MD
(REAR)